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MICROMACHINED DEVICE FOR RECEIVING AND  
RETAINING AT LEAST ONE LIQUID DROPLET, METHOD  
OF MAKING THE DEVICE AND METHOD OF USING THE  
DEVICE

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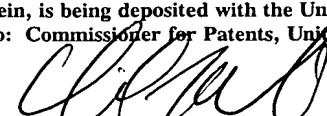
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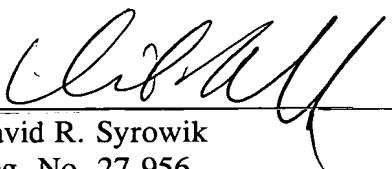
  
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